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The Council met in the Council Hall, Ernakulam, at Eleven of the Clock with the Hon'ble the President (SIR SHANMUKHAM CHETTY, K. C. I. E.) in the Chair.

Messrs. C. N. Ittiravi Nambudiri, C. Kunhan Nambudiripad, Shabdai S. Koder and V. J. Mathai were absent.

Swearing in of Members

Messrs. T. Verghese, A. Padmanabha Menon and A. B. Salem were sworn in.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

TOBACCO CULTIVATION IN THE STATE

1. Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether it has experimented tobacco cultivation in the State during last year; and if so,

(*b*) whether the tobacco cultivation has proved a success?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) No. But six people are cultivating tobacco this year.

(*b*) It is too early to say definitely.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Is the Government helping them in any manner?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* In all possible ways; no license fee is levied and an Agricultural Inspector is appointed to help them.

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